

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

1-18. (cancelled).

19. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 ~~wherein another said condition includes a minibar access condition, said minibar access condition is actuated when~~ further comprising:

a minibar door switch for detecting a condition of minibar access, wherein said at least one condition of the room includes said condition of minibar access ~~detects an open minibar door indicative of minibar access, said minibar door switch signals a condition of minibar access to said display.~~

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20. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 403 95 wherein said ~~condition of occupancy is queried by employing said first~~ second switch is actuated in one manner to indicate a condition of occupancy and activated in another manner to indicate said display ~~said one condition on said display, while said condition of minibar access, said at least one said condition of the room includes said condition of occupancy is queried by employing said switch in another manner to display said another condition on said display.~~

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22. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 20 wherein said one manner includes pushing said second switch once, while said another manner includes pushing said ~~first~~ second switch twice.

23. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 20 wherein said one manner to indicate ~~said display of~~ said condition of occupancy comprises ~~includes~~ a first number of blinks, and from said other manner to indicate ~~said indicating assembly, while~~ ~~said display of~~ said condition of minibar access includes a second number of blinks ~~from~~ ~~said indicating assembly.~~

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24. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 20 wherein each of said one manner to indicate ~~display of~~ said condition of occupancy and said other manner to indicate ~~a second display of an absence of~~ said condition of minibar access is indicated by a do not disturb legend flashing a number of times.

25. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 20 wherein each of said one manner to indicate ~~display of~~ said condition of minibar access and said other manner to indicate ~~a second display of an absence of~~ said condition of occupancy is indicated ~~with~~ by a make-up-room LED flashing a number of times.

26. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 24 wherein said do not disturb legend flashes red.

27. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 25 wherein said make-up-room LED flashes green.

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31. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said first switch is incorporated with assembly comprises an electronic thermostat.

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34. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 101 wherein ~~said switch assembly includes a second switch switchable between a first "off" position, a first "on" position representing the message~~ said at least one message comprises a message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed, and a second "on" position representing the message that the occupant wishes to have the room cleaned or made up, when said first "on" position is selected, the said doorbell chime being configured to be is muted when said message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed is selected.

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35. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 101 wherein ~~said switch assembly includes a second switch switchable between a first "off" position, a first "on" position representing the message~~ said at least one message comprises a message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed, and a second "on" position representing the message that the occupant wishes to have the room cleaned or made up, when said first "on" position is selected, wherein all incoming telephone calls to ~~said~~ the room are routed to voicemail when said message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed is selected.

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37. (currently amended) A system for indicating a status of a minibar in a room, in a multiple room building, comprising:

an interface assembly configured to convey a minibar access condition to outside of the room;

a minibar door switch configured to detect an open minibar door indicative of said minibar access condition, said minibar door switch in operable communication with said interface assembly; ~~and~~

an ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator in operable communication with said interface assembly, said indicator configured for indicating, in response to a request, said minibar access condition, said indicator further configured for indicating outside of the room; and, ~~said indicating assembly including~~

a first switch configured to be actuated from outside of the room for generating
said request to enable a display for displaying outside of the room said minibar access
condition.

38. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein ~~said~~
~~indicating assembly includes at least one of (1) said display comprising a discrete display~~
~~and (2) said first switch comprises comprising a discrete discreet switch.~~

39. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein ~~said~~
~~interface assembly~~ indicator is mounted to an interior wall of the room.

40. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 further comprises
wherein:

~~said interface assembly comprises a second switch assembly in operable~~
communication with said interface assembly and configured to be actuated from inside
~~convey a message outside of the room for selecting at least one message; and~~

wherein said indicator is indicating assembly configured to indicate said at least
one message when said at least one message is selected; ~~said message viewable from~~
~~outside of the room.~~

41. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein ~~said~~
indicator and said first switch are indicating assembly ~~is~~ mounted to an exterior wall
adjacent a doorway of the room.

42. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 40 wherein ~~said switch assembly includes a second switch switchable between a first "off" position, a first "on" position representing the message~~ said at least one message includes a first message that ~~the an occupant does not wish to be disturbed, and a second "on" position representing the message~~ and a second message that the occupant wishes to have the room cleaned or made up.

43. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 42 wherein ~~said second switch is switchable to a position indicating~~ said at least one message further includes a third message that the room is available for occupancy.

44. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 40 wherein said second switch assembly configured to indicate said message when said message is selected includes ~~said message associated with each "on" position comprising~~ a textual or symbolic representation of said at least one message associated therewith ~~with each of said switch positions.~~

45. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 40 wherein said ~~message~~ comprises a plurality of message indicators, wherein one of said message indicators includes a light in association with one of said "on" positions and wherein another of said message indicators indicator comprises a light in association with another of said "on" positions.

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47. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 46 45 wherein said ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator further comprises a textual or symbolic representation of ~~the said at least one message associated therewith~~ with each of said message indicators.

48. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein said system is powered by one of wiring into the electrical system of the building and wiring to a centrally controlled system.

49. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein the multiple room building comprises a hotel or motel and an occupant is a hotel or motel guest.

50. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein said indicator is receptive to activation ~~indicating assembly may be actuated~~ remotely.

51. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 37 further comprising a microprocessor in operable communication with said interface assembly.

52. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein said first switch comprises a magnetic switch, said magnetic switch actuated with a magnet.

53. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 51 wherein said microprocessor is ~~disposed in~~ associated with said interface assembly.

54. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 51 wherein said microprocessor is disposed in a centrally controlled system disposed in the room, said centrally controlled system is in communication with said interface assembly.

55. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 54 further comprising:
~~wherein said communication includes~~
an infra-red communication device associated with each of ~~in~~ said interface assembly and said centrally controlled system for communication of signals therebetween.

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56. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 37 wherein said minibar access condition is also conveyed to a location remote from said interface assembly and remote from said indicator~~indicating assembly~~.

57. (currently amended) A system for indicating an occupancy condition of a room, in a multiple room building, comprising:

an interface assembly configured to convey the occupancy condition of the room to outside of the room;

an entry door switch for detecting state of an entry door of the room, said entry door switch in operable communication with said interface assembly;

a passive infra-red device for detecting motion in the room, said passive infra-red device in operable communication with said interface assembly; and

an indicator~~indicating assembly~~ in operable communication with said interface assembly, said indicator configured for indicating, outside of the room, ~~said indicating assembly including a display for displaying outside of the room~~ said occupancy condition when both said entry door switch detects a closed state of the entry door and said passive infra-red device detects motion within a delay.

58. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said indicator display comprises a ~~discrete an inconspicuous~~ discreet indicator display.

59. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said indicator ~~interface assembly~~ is mounted to an interior wall of the room.

60. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 further comprises~~wherein~~:

~~said interface assembly comprises~~ a switch assembly configured to be actuated from inside ~~convey a message outside of the room~~ for selecting a at least one message; and

wherein said indicator ~~is indicating assembly~~ configured to indicate said at least one message when said at least one message is selected, ~~said message viewable from outside of the room~~.

61. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said indicator ~~indicating assembly~~ is mounted to an exterior wall adjacent a doorway of the room.

62. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 60 wherein ~~said switch assembly includes a switch switchable between a first "off" position, a first "on" position representing the message~~ said at least one message includes a first message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed, ~~and a second "on" position representing the message~~ and a second message that the occupant wishes to have the room cleaned or made up.

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63. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 62 wherein ~~said switch is switchable to a position indicating~~ said at least one message further included a third message that the room is available for occupancy.

64. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 60 wherein said switch assembly ~~configured to indicate said message when said message is selected includes said message associated with each "on" position comprising~~ includes a textual or symbolic representation of said at least one message associated therewith ~~with each of said switch positions.~~

65. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 60 wherein said ~~message comprises a plurality of message indicators, wherein one of said message indicators~~

~~includes a light in association with one of said "on" positions and wherein another of said message indicators~~ indicator ~~comprises a light in association with another of said "on" positions.~~

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67. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim ~~66~~65 wherein said ~~indicator~~indicating assembly further comprises a textual or symbolic representation of said at least one ~~the message associated with each of said message indicators~~ therewith.

68. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said system is powered by one of wiring into the electrical system of the building and wiring to a centrally controlled system.

69. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein the multiple room building comprises a hotel or motel and an occupant is a hotel or motel guest.

70. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said ~~indicating assembly may be actuated~~ indicator is receptive to actuation remotely.

71. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 57 further comprising a microprocessor in operable communication with said interface assembly.

72. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 71 wherein said interface assembly includes a jumper for selecting said delay from a plurality of preset delays.

73. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 102 wherein said switch ~~includes~~comprises a magnetic switch, said magnetic switch actuated with a magnet.

74. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 71 wherein said microprocessor is disposed in said interface assembly.

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75. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 71 wherein said microprocessor is disposed in a centrally controlled system disposed in the room, said centrally controlled system is in communication with said interface assembly.

76. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 75 ~~wherein said communication includes~~ further comprising:

an infra-red communication device associated with each of ~~in~~ said interface assembly and said centrally controlled system for communication of signals therebetween.

77. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein said occupancy condition is also conveyed to a location remote from said interface assembly and remote from said ~~indicator~~indicating assembly.

78. (currently amended) A system for indicating a status of a room, in a multiple room building, comprising:

a first switch assembly configured to convey a configured to be actuated from inside the room for selecting at least one message outside of the room; said switch assembly operable from inside the room; and;

an ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator in operable communication with said first switch assembly, said indicator configured for indicating, in response to a request, at least one of (1) said at least one message when said at least one message is selected and (2) at least one condition of the room, said indicator further configured for indicating outside of the room; and

a second said indicating assembly including a first switch configured to be actuated from outside of the room for generating said request to enable a display for displaying outside of the room at least one of (1) said message when said message is selected and (2) a condition of the room.

79. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said ~~indicating assembly includes at least one of (1) said display of said indicating assembly comprising a discrete display and (2) said first second switch comprises comprising a discrete~~ discreet switch.

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80. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said first switch ~~assembly~~ is mounted to an interior wall of the room.

81. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator is mounted to an exterior wall adjacent a doorway of the room.

82. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein ~~said switch assembly includes a second switch switchable between a first "off" position, a first "on" position representing the message~~ said at least one message includes a first message that an occupant does not wish to be disturbed, and a second "on" position representing the message and a second message that the occupant wishes to have the room cleaned or made up.

83. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 82 wherein ~~said second switch is switchable to a position indicating~~ said at least one message further includes a third message that the room is available for occupancy.

84. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said first switch ~~assembly configured to indicate said message when said message is selected~~ includes ~~said message associated with each "on" position comprising~~ a textual or

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symbolic representation of said at least one message associated ~~with each of said switch~~
~~positions~~ therewith.

85. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said ~~message~~
~~comprises a plurality of message indicators, wherein one of said message indicators~~
~~includes a light in association with one of said "on" positions and wherein another of said~~
~~message indicators~~ indicator comprises a light ~~in association with another of said "on"~~
~~positions~~.

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87. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 86 85 wherein said
~~indicating assembly~~ indicator further comprises a textual or symbolic representation of
~~the~~ said at least one message associated ~~with each of said message indicators~~ therewith.

88. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said
system is powered by one of wiring into the electrical system of the building and wiring
to a centrally controlled system.

89. (previously presented) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein the
multiple room building comprises a hotel or motel and an occupant is a hotel or motel
guest.

90. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said ~~indicating assembly may be actuated~~ indicator is receptive to actuation remotely.

91. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 further comprising a microprocessor in operable communication with said first switch ~~assembly~~.

92. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim ~~78~~ 91 ~~wherein said microprocessor is operably connected with an external device comprising one of a minibar door switch and~~ further comprising:

an entry door switch and a passive infra-red device; for detecting a condition of occupancy, wherein said at least one condition of the room includes said condition of occupancy ~~and including combinations of at least one of the foregoing.~~

93. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 92 further comprising ~~wherein said switch assembly includes~~ a jumper for selecting a preset period of delay from a plurality of preset ~~period~~ periods of ~~delays~~ delay, said preset period of delay is used to determine ~~one condition, said one condition includes~~ said condition of an occupancy ~~condition of the room.~~

94. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 102 wherein said ~~discrete switch includes~~ comprises a magnetic switch, said magnetic switch actuated with a magnet.

95. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein said at least one condition of the room comprises at least one of a condition of occupancy and a condition of minibar access.

96. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 91 wherein said microprocessor is ~~disposed in~~ associated proximally with said first switch assembly.

97. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 91 wherein said microprocessor is disposed in a centrally controlled system disposed in the room, said centrally controlled system is in communication with said first switch assembly.

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98. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 97 further comprising:
~~wherein said communication includes~~
an infra-red communication device associated with each of ~~in~~ said first switch assembly and said centrally controlled system for communication of signals therebetween.

99. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78 wherein ~~the~~ said at least one message selected by said first switch assembly is ~~also conveyed~~ communicated to a location remote from said first switch assembly and remote from said ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator.

100. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 91 wherein said first switch ~~assembly~~ is monitored and operated remotely.

101. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 78, further comprising:
a doorbell chime for audio annunciation of a visitor to an occupant of the room,
said doorbell chime disposed at said switch assembly; and
a doorbell button in operable communication with said doorbell chime, said
doorbell button operably connected with said ~~indicating assembly~~ indicator and operable
from outside of the room by the visitor.

102. (currently amended) The system as claimed in claim 57 wherein;

said indicator further comprises indicating said occupancy condition in response
to a request; and

said system further comprises ~~said indicating assembly further includes~~ a switch
configured to be actuated from outside of the room for generating said request for
~~enabling said display.~~

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